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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
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FOR: BEADS OF EXPANDABLE :
VINYLAROMATIC POLYMERS AND
PROCESS FOR THEIR PREPARATION

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action of February 21, 2008, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Discussion of the Amendment begins on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.